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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

To Whom It May Concern:

I wish to voice my complaint in regards to the pending settlement of this current lawsuit against Microsoft.

In short, I believe that you are not punishing Microsoft at all. In fact, you are punishing all computer users in general. By allowing Microsoft into an area that it has no domination and little influence in, you are thereby opening the door of opportunity for Microsoft to monopolize another area of public interest.

Also, you are, in simple terms, telling people that Microsoft has the right to monopolize any area it wishes with little regard to everyone else and anything else such as innovation and creativity.

But looking at it another way, if you legitimize this settlement, you will also, potentially destroy that which drives Microsoft to compete. By letting Microsoft monopolize and reduce competition, there would be little for them to compare or compete against. Thereby causing Microsoft to no longer compete properly.

So, on one hand, you could destroy competition, innovation, and creativity by allowing this settlement. On the other hand, you could weaken Microsoft by having them destroy that which they compete against. But in the end, the settlement would not benefit anyone, but mostly it will hurt everyone.

Do not allow this settlement to go through. It would be in the best interest of everyone.

Thank you.

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